

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend page 4, lines 24-29 of the specification as follows:

As used herein, the term "GCC" is meant to refer to the cellular protein guanylin cyclase C (also referred to as ST receptor), which is expressed by normal colorectal cells, as well as primary and metastasized colorectal, stomach and esophageal cancer cells. In normal individuals, GCC is found exclusively in cells of intestine, in particular in cells in the duodenum, small intestine (jejunum and ileum), the large intestine, colon (cecum, ascending colon, transverse colon, descending colon and sigmoid colon) and rectum.